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Title: Need to set up an Indian Institute of Science for Education and Research (IISER) in Bihar.

SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV (PATNA): There is a proposal to set up National Institute of Science (NISC) in different parts of the country through UGC. To avoid regional imbalance in the distribution of higher educational institutes in the country, there is need for establishment of IISER (Indian Institute of Science for Education ad Research) in Bihar immediately as Orissa, Kolkata, Pune and Chandigarh have already got IISER/NISC. After bifurcation of Bihar, almost all institutes of excellent education and research went into Jharkhand and thus in the remaining Bihar reestablishment of excellent centres of education and research in science and engineering is urgently needed. Now, it is well known that in Bihar there is not a single institution like IIT (Indian Institute of Technology), IIM (Indian Institute of Management), IIIT (Indian Institute of Information Technology), ISI (Indian Statistical Institute), IIS (Indian Institute of Science), CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research), DRDO (Defence Research and Development Organisation), Central University or other institutes of National and International repute. Establishment of IISER in Bihar will be a step towards minimization of prevailing regional imbalance in the distribution of educational institutes across the country.

My request with the Hon'ble Prime Minister through this House is to allow for establishment of IISER in Bihar in the next financial year 2007-08.